

410 IAC 1-2.5-128 Rocky Mountain spotted fever; specific control measures

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Sec. 128. The specific control measures for Rocky Mountain spotted fever (infectious agent: *Rickettsia rickettsii*) are as follows:

- (1) An investigation by the local health officer shall be performed within seventy-two (72) hours to determine the location of exposure to infected ticks. Recent travel and exposure to tick-infested areas shall be identified.
- (2) Standard precautions are required for hospitalized patients.
- (3) Concurrent disinfection is required. All ticks shall be removed from the patient.
- (4) Quarantine is not required.
- (5) Immunization is not available. Protection of contacts is not applicable.
- (6) The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists set the standard clinical and laboratory case definition.

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